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25D 358235Z ZKZK PP RNI DE P 232000Z FM DIRNSA TO OSCAR/UNIFORM TANGO
ZEM ~~TOP SECRET UMBRA~~ SECTION TWO XXMMENP02-TB23128 3/0/ R307-68
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGINT SUMMARY XXCC 3. MILITARY REGION
TRI-THIEN-HUE COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN "FRONT 6" (ASSOCIATED WITH
GROUP--DOAN--6) AND ITS 35TH BATTALION (POSSIBLY THE 835TH ARTILLERY BATTALION)
INCLUDED A REFERENCE TO A "D-DAY" AND REPORTS OF ALLIED FORCES OPERATING NEAR A
COMMUNIST HOSPITAL SITE. ON 23 DECEMBER, COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FRONT TO THE
BATTALION REFERRED TO A "D-DAY." NO FURTHER INFORMATION ON THIS SUBJECT WAS
DISCLOSED. EARLIER, THE 35TH BATTALION REPORTED TO "FRONT 6" THAT AN ALLIED
FORCE WAS AN UNSPECIFIED DISTANCE FROM "HOSPITAL 48," AND THAT ALLIED
RECONNAISSANCE ELEMENTS WERE OPERATING ON BOTH SIDES OF KHE TRANG (POSSIBLY RAO
TRANG, 16-23N 107-19E, YD 480130)--SOME 30 KM WEST OF HUE). THE MESSAGE ALSO
DISCLOSED THAT THE COMMUNISTS WERE CLOSELY FOLLOWING THE ALLIES IN THAT AREA.
(2/G11/VCM/T11262-68, 230820Z, T11261-68, 230741Z) ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ 4. MILITARY
REGION 5 HQ, NVA 3D DIVISION FORWARD ELEMENT ONE HAS BEEN REACTIVATED IN THE
QUANG NGAI PROVINCE AREA. IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS, COMMUNIST MAIN FORCE
MILITARY UNITS APPEAR TO BE CONCENTRATING IN THE NORTHEASTERN PLEIKU PROVINCE
AREA. IN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE, HQ, NVA 3D DIVISION FORWARD ELEMENT ONE WAS
REACTIVATED, APPARENTLY ON 20 DECEMBER. THIS FORWARD ELEMENT MERGED WITH THE
DIVISION HEADQUARTERS ON ABOUT 10 OCTOBER IN SOUTHWESTERN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE
AND HAD NOT BEEN ACTIVE IN COMMUNICATIONS UNTIL RECENT ACTIVITY OBSERVED ON
20-21 DECEMBER. THE HQ, NVA 3D DIVISION WAS LOCATED NEAR 13-58N 108-27E (DS
250461) ON 20 DECEMBER, WHILE THE FORWARD ELEMENT IS UNLOCATED. A HIGH VOLUME
OF MESSAGES (AT LEAST 30) WAS RECEIVED BY HQ, NVA 3D DIVISION FORWARD ELEMENT
ONE FROM HQ, MR 5 MAIN FORCE UNIT CONTROL, ON 21 DECEMBER. IN THE CENTRAL
HIGHLANDS, VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST MILITARY UNIT ACTIVITY SUGGESTS THAT A BUILDUP
OF COMMUNIST MAIN FORCE UNITS MAY BE OCCURRING IN THE NORTHEASTERN PLEIKU
PROVINCE AREA. WITHIN THE PAST WEEK TERMINALS SERVING THE PROBABLE HQ, NVA
24TH REGIMENT AND A SUSPECTED NVA B3 FRONT ARTILLERY UNIT (M0858), HAVE BEEN
LOCATED IN THIS AREA. THE PROBABLE HQ, NVA 24TH REGIMENT HAD PREVIOUSLY
OPERATED IN THE CAMBODIA-LAOS-KONTUM PROVINCE TRI-BORDER AREA, AND THE
SUSPECTED ARTILLERY UNIT (M0858) HAD PREVIOUSLY OPERATED IN THE NORTHWESTERN
PLEIKU PROVINCE AREA. ANOTHER UNUSUAL DEVELOPMENT NOTED IN THIS AREA INCLUDES
INDICATIONS OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS IN EARLY DECEMBER BETWEEN
HQ, NVA 18TH REGIMENT, NVA 3D DIVISION, WHICH IS OPERATING IN CENTRAL BINH DINH
PROVINCE, AND THE GIA LAI PROVINCIAL UNIT--OPERATING IN THE PLEIKU-BINH DINH
PROVINCE BORDER AREA. ELEMENTS OF THE PROBABLE NVA 95B REGIMENT, WHICH
NORMALLY OPERATE IN THE PLEIKU-BINH DINH PROVINCE BORDER AREA, HAVE RECENTLY
BEEN INVOLVED IN ATTACKS AGAINST ALLIED LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS IN THE

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NORTHWESTERN PLEIKU PROVINCE AREA. AVAILABLE INFORMATION INDICATES THAT THESE ATTACKS WILL CONTINUE. ON 21 AND 22 DECEMBER, REGIMENTAL ELEMENTS DISCUSSED ALLIED TROOP DEPLOYMENT AND SWEEP OPERATIONS AND FORTHCOMING VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST TACTICAL ACTIVITIES AGAINST ALLIED FORCES WHICH WERE PLANNED FOR 27 OR 28 DECEMBER. ON 22 DECEMBER, THE PROBABLE 1ST BATTALION, NVA 95B REGIMENT ASSOCIATE (M4585) REPORTED THAT APPROXIMATELY ONE ALLIED COMPANY HAD BEEN LANDED IN THE VICINITY OF "DAC SI RO, 3 2 24 8." THESE COORDINATES POSSIBLY EQUATE TO 13-52N 108-27E (BR 242325) AND THERE IS A DAC XDRO IN THE AREA OF 13-52N 108-30E (BR 2893 33). THE 1ST BATTALION ASSOCIATE STATED THAT XXIII 900 NNNN

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ZEM T O P S E C R E T UMBRA SECTION THREE E XXMMENP03-TB23128 3/04 CR307-68
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGINT SUMMA RY XXCC ONE SPEARHEAD HAD
DEPLOYED TOWARD "A-5" (ACCORDING TO COLLATERAL, IN THE VICINITY OF 13-46N
108-27E, BR 2524), WHILE A SECO ND DEPLOYED IN THE DIRECTION OF "LANG BUT"
(PROBABLY NEAR 13-56N 108-30E, BR 301425) ALONG THE COMMUNICATIONS ROUTE, AND
THAT ALLIED F ORCES WERE POSITIONED NEAR "42 26 8" (POSSIBLY EQUATES TO 13-58N
108-28E, BR 262425) AND "46 22 16" (POSSIBLY EQUATES TO 13-58N 108-26 E, BR
225462). EARLIER THE SAME DAY, THE PROBABLE REGIMENTAL FORWARD ELEMENT (M4583)
INFORMED THE 1ST BATTALION ASSOCIATE OF AN ALLIED SWEEP OPERATION AT "LO BO"
(UNLOCATED) IN "AREA 6" (ACCORDING TO COLLATERAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AREA 6 IS
APPROXIMATELY THE SOUTHEASTERN QUARTER OF PLEIKU PROVINCE), "A-10" (ACCORDING
TO COLLATERAL, IN THE VICINITY OF 13-49N 108-38E, BR 2845) AND "AREA 7"
(ACCORDING TO COLLATERAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AREA 7 IS APPROXIMATELY SOUTHWESTERN
BINH DINH PROVINCE AND NORTHERN PHU BON PROVINCES). IN ADDITION, THE PROBABLE
FORWARD ELEMENT STATED THAT DUE TO THIS ALLIED ACTIVITY, "IT IS ESSENTIAL TO
STRENGTHEN THE SCATTERED ACTIVITIES ON THE ROAD," AND DIRECTED THE SUBORDINATE
TO COORDINATE AN ATTACK BETWEEN AN ELEMENT OF "X-17" AND LOCAL FORCES
(ACCORDING TO COLLATERAL, X-17 IS AN ENGINEER-SAPPER COMPANY SUBORDINATE TO
THE GIA LAI PROVINCIAL UNIT). THE PROBABLE FORWARD ELEMENT ALSO CAUTIONED THE
SUBORDINATE TO WATCH OUT FOR AN ALLIED FEINT. FINALLY, ON 22 DECEMBER, A
SUBORDINATE OF THE REGIMENTAL FORWARD ELEMENT (B2265) INSTRUCTED THE PROBABLE
1ST BATTALION ASSOCIATE TO POSTPONE AN ATTACK FROM 27 DECEMBER TO 28 DECEMBER
"BECAUSE THE 27TH IS STILL ((A PART OF) 3. -8. - #,9 3.K 435 .8,8. C)793. 95
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26D 3582350 ZKZK PP RNI DE P 232000Z FM DIRNSA TO OSCAR/UNIFORM TANGO Z
EM + ~~TOP SECRET UMBRA~~ SECTION FOUR XXMMENP4-TD23128 3/01 YR307-68
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGINT SUMMARY XXCC ON 22 DECEMBER, THE
POSSIBLE 3D BATTALION, VC 274TH REGIMENT REPORTED TO ITS REGIMENTAL
HEADQUARTERS THE ALLIED SITUATION IN THE BATTALION'S AREA OF OPERATIONS BETWEEN
19 AND 21 DECEMBER. THE ORIGINATOR OUTLINED DETAILS CONCERNING ALLIED GROUND,
AIR, AND ARTILLERY ACTIVITY, AND REPORTED SEVERAL VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST
PERSONNEL MISSING OR KILLED IN ACTION. THE MESSAGE ALSO MENTIONED A GUERRILLA
AMBUSH ON AN UNSPECIFIED ALLIED UNIT AND THE BURNING OF 14 PRIVATE RESIDENCES
BY ALLIED FIRE. (2/010/VCI/R356-68, 221420Z) ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ 8. MILITARY REGION
2 ON 22 DECEMBER, THE SUSPECTED HQ, VC DT-1 REGIMENT WAS LOCATED IN THE
SOUTHERN DINH TUONG-KIEN PHONG PROVINCE BORDER AREA AT 10-20N 105-51E (WS
928417) APPROXIMATELY 17 KM SOUTHWEST OF ITS 14 DECEMBER POSITION IN WESTERN
DINH TUONG NEAR 10-27N 105-57E (XS 032560). ON 23 DECEMBER, A PROBABLE
SUBORDINATE (M3588) OF THE BEN TRE PROVINCIAL UNIT WAS LOCATED IN NORTHWESTERN
KIEN HOA PROVINCE AT 10-11N 106-14E (XS 355265), APPROXIMATELY 10 KM NORTHWEST
OF ITS 29 NOVEMBER POSITION NEAR 10-07N 106-19E (XS 436196). ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ ON
21 DECEMBER, AN UNIDENTIFIED SUBORDINATE (P0100) OF THE MY THO PROVINCIAL
COMMITTEE WAS LOCATED IN SOUTHERN LONG AN PROVINCE AT 10-29N 106-35E (XS
728597) APPROXIMATELY 16 KM NORTHEAST OF ITS 11 OCTOBER LOCATION.
(3/01 R157-68) ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ II. NORTH VIETNAM A. INFILTRATION/LOGISTICS
ACTIVITY THE MOVEMENT OF GROUP 4031 FROM T-6 TO T-7 (PREVIOUSLY T-15 AND T-16,
RESPECTIVELY) WAS REFLECTED IN REAR SERVICES COMMUNICATIONS OF 21 DECEMBER. THE
GROUP COMMANDER WAS IDENTIFIED AS NGUYEN HAI HUNG (NGUYEENX HAIR HUNFG).
ALTHOUGH THIS GROUP WAS FIRST OBSERVED IN JUNE, IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE GROUP
DID NOT DEPART NORTH VIETNAM. THEREFORE, GROUP 4031 WILL BE COUNTED IN THE
DECEMBER TOTAL AND DELETED FROM THE JUNE TOTAL. THE ADDITION OF THIS GROUP
BRINGS THE TOTAL OF NEW GROUPS OBSERVED THUS FAR IN DECEMBER TO 20.
(2/0/VCI/R51-68, 222020Z) ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ FROM 2300Z ON 20 DECEMBER TO 2259Z ON
21 DECEMBER, NORTH VIETNAMESE NAVAL RADAR STATIONS ALONG THE CENTRAL AND
SOUTHERN COAST OF NORTH VIETNAM REFLECTED A TOTAL OF 126 "FRIENDLY"
CARGO/SUPPLY VESSELS. THIS REPRESENTS A DECREASE OF 11 VESSELS OVER THE
PREVIOUS 24-HOUR PERIOD. GENERALLY, THE VESSELS CONTINUED TO FOLLOW THE NORTH
VIETNAMESE COASTLINE AT DISTANCES FROM 1 TO 12 NM, EXCEPT IN THE VICINITY OF
THE 19TH PARALLEL, WHERE VESSELS FREQUENTLY EXCEEDED THE 12 MILE LIMIT. OF THE
126 VESSELS REFLECTED, 52 WERE TRACKED IN AN AREA EXTENDING FROM 17-30N TO
18-10N AND THE REMAINING 74 WERE TRACKED IN AN AREA EXTENDING FROM 18-10N TO
20-00N. AN UNIDENTIFIED RADAR STATION, POSSIBLY LOCATED AT DEO NGAING REPORTED
THE FOLLOWING AT 0826 Z, A MINIMUM OF FOUR PROBABLE CARGO VESSELS WERE

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APPROACHING THE PIER AT NHAT LE (VICINITY OF 17-29N 106-37E, XE 7334). AT 1137Z AND 1440Z, AT LEAST TWO CARGO VESSELS DEPARTED VUNG LA (VICINITY 17-55N 106-30E, XE 5981). FROM 1548Z TO 1637Z, A TOTAL OF FOUR CARGO VESSELS WERE DEPARTING POSSIBLY DEO NGANG EN ROUTE TO VUNG LA. THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE VESSEL MOVEMENTS THAT WERE NOTED DURING THE ABOVE PERIOD NR. OF DIRECTION OF MOVEMENT RADAR STATION VESSELS NORTH SOUTH OTHER UNIDENTIFIED STATION (N2013) 20 2 14 4 UNK (VICINITY OF SAM SON 19-45N 105-55E, WG 9583) DONG GIAN (18-33N 105-59E, 35 10 15 10 UNK WF 8549) XXHH 900 NNNN

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27D 3582350 ZKZK PP RNI DE P 232000Z FM DIRNSA TO OSCAR/UNIFORM TANGO
ZEM + 0 P S E C R E T UMBRA SECTION SIX XXMMENP06-TB23128 3/01 YR307-68
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGINT SUMMARY XXCC COMMUNICATIONS
BETWEEN THE NORTH VIETNA MESE NAVAL NORTHERN FLEET HEADQUARTERS (NFHQ) AT BAI
CHAY AND AN UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL (N0185) DISCLOSED THAT AN UNDETERMINED TYPE OF
OPERATION WAS POSSIBLY CONDUCTED FROM 2300Z ON 14 DECEMBER AND 0506Z ON 17
DECEMBER IN THE VICINITY OF CUA BA LAT (20-17N 106-34E, XH 4334). THE
COMMUNICATIONS ALSO CONTAINED INDICATIONS THAT N0185 AND THE PROBABLE PGM T-122
OF DIVISION 7 INVOLVED IN THE "TWO DAY OPERATION." AT 0030Z ON 16 DECEMBER,
THE NFHQ INSTRUCTED N0185 TO PAY ATTENTION TO TIDE CALCULATIONS AND THE
MONSOONS WHEN DEPARTING CUA LACH GIANG (20-01N 106-12E, XH 2421) AND PASSING
PROBABLY CUA BA LAT. (2/Q1/VCN/R1447-68, 220620Z. 2/Q1/VCN/R1448-68, 220845Z)
(SECRET SPOKE) D. OTHER DEVELOPMENTS CIVIL COMMUNICATIONS THE TIMES INVOLVED
IN TRANSPORTING MATERIALS FROM VI NH LINH (17-03N 107-01E, YD 1586) TO VINH,
NGHE AN PROVINCE, PRESUMABLY BY TRUCK, WERE REVEALED IN A 20 DECEMBER MESSAGE
FROM THE NGHE AN DEPARTMENT OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS TO DEPARTMENTS OF
POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS IN VINH LINH, QUANG BINH, AND HA TINH. THE TIMES
LISTED IN THE MESSAGE WERE FOR OVERLAND TRIPS VIA ROUTE 1 AND ARE AS FOLLOWS
ARRIVE DEPART VINH LINH: 0700G LE THUY DISTRICT 0815G QUANG BINH DISTRICT 0930G
DO NG HOI 1100G BO TRACH (17-35N 106-32E, XE 6345) 1245G BAC TRACH (UNLOCATED)
1400G QUANG TRACH (18-55N 105-32E, 1600G WF 5792) KY ANH (18-05N 106-18E,
1830G XE 3799) HA TINH (18-20N 105-55E, 2100G WF 9627) MINH LOC (UNLOCATED)
2300G NGHI XUAN (18-39N 105-46E, 0025G WF 8063) VINH 0230G (2X/G11/VCY/T127-68,
211420Z) (SECRET MORAY) III. LAOS A. LAOTIAN MILITARY SITUATION THE FOLLOWING
SUMMARY IS BASED ON COMMUNIST AND ROYAL LAOTIAN ARMY (RLA) MESSAGES AVAILABLE
DURING THE PAST 24 HOURS. ON 19 DECEMBER, THE PATHET LAO NEWS AGENCY HANOI
REPORTED THAT THE PATHET LAO FORCES WOULD OBSERVE, ALONG WITH THE NATIONAL
LIBERATION FRONT IN VIETNAM, A WEEK OF SOLIDARITY FROM 20 TO 26 DECEMBER. THE
REPORT FURTHER STATED THAT INCREASED FIGHTING IN LAOS WOULD OCCUR DURING THIS
TIME. (2/G3/LSG/R115-68. 200838Z) NORTHERN LAOS ON 21 DECEMBER, AN
UNIDENTIFIED SUBORDINATE (M2164) OF THE MAJOR NVA HEADQUARTERS, SAM NEUA, WAS
NOTED IN THE VICINITY OF 20-14N 103-39E (UH 589375). THIS REPRESENTS A MOVE OF
APPROXIMATELY 15 KILOMETERS IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION FROM ITS LAST NOTED
LOCATION OF 20-13N 103-31E (UH 450370). ON 20 DECEMBER, AN UNIDENTIFIED
SUBORDINATE (M4073) OF NVA HEADQUARTERS RS KHANG KHAY, AND A SUBSCRIBER TO THE
MAJOR NVA HEADQUARTERS, SAM NEUA WATCH FACILITY WAS INITIALLY LOCATED IN THE
VICINITY OF 20-08N 103-44E (UH 689285). AN UNIDENTIFIED SUBORDINATE (M4286) OF
THE KHANG KHAY AREA HEADQUARTERS AND THE MAJOR NVA HEADQUARTERS SAM NEUA WAS
INITIALLY LOCATED BY SIGINT WITHIN 1000 METERS OF 19-32N 103-16E (UG 113591) ON

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22 DECEMBER. A 22 DECEMBER MESSAGE FROM THE NVA 4TH BATTALION TO THE NVA 2D REGIMENT, OPERATING IN THE BAN BAN (19-38N 103-33E, UG 4872) AREA OF LAOS, INFORMED THE COMMANDER THAT PLATOONS WERE DEPLOYED AT SEUI VIET (UNLOCATED), BAN THA (19-45N 103-35E, UG 5283) AND NA LONG (19-40N 103-35E, UG 5275), WITH A COMPANY HEADQUARTERS AT BAN THA. (2/G3/VCM/T093-68) XXHH 900 NNNN

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ZEM T O P S E C R E T UMBRA SECTION SEVEN XXMMENP7-TB23128 3/01 R307-68
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGINT SUMMARY XXCC AN UNIDENTIFIED
SUBORDINATE (L2034) OF THE PATHET LAO XIENG KHOUA NG AREA HQS (L0002) (19-32N
103-19E, UG 2260) WAS INITIALLY LOCATED AT 19-21N 103-03E (TG 946428) ON 21
DECEMBER. THIS LOCATION IS APPROXIMATELY 23 KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF KHANG KHAY
(19-30N 103-13E, UG 1556). (2/03/LSG/R117-68, 211918Z) SOUTHERN LAOS ON 21 D
ECEMBER, THE CONTROL OF THE BROADCAST FACILITY (M0010) WHICH SERVES THE NVA
TCHEPONE AREA HEADQUARTERS, REAPPEARED IN COMMUNICATIONS WITH ITS SUBORDINATE
SUBSCRIBERS AT WHICH TIME CONTROL WAS LOCATED AT 16-43N 105-59E (XD 036481).
THE LAST NOTED APPEARANCE OF THIS BROADCAST FACILITY WAS 8 DECEMBER. ALSO ON
21 DECEMBER, AN UNIDENTIFIED SUBORDINATE (M1795) OF THE NVA HEADQUARTERS
TCHEPONE AREA WAS LOCATED AT 15-28N 106-18E (XC 395107), APPROXIMATELY 62
KILOMETERS SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF ITS 16 NOVEMBER LOCATION OF 16-00N 106-11E (XC
260 690). ON 22 DECEMBER, AN UNIDENTIFIED SUBORDINATE (M0014) OF THE NVA 559TH
TRANSPORTATION GROUP WAS OBSERVED IN UNUSUAL MESSAGE ACTIVITY. THE
UNIDENTIFIED SUBORDINATE PASSED TEN MESSAGES TO THE PROBABLE HQ, BINH TRAM (BT)
5 AND INDICATED THAT AN ADDITIONAL 12 MESSAGES WOULD BE SENT LATER THAT DAY. A
PREVIOUS HIGH OF 12 MESSAGES TO HQ, BT 5 WAS OBSERVED ON 10 DECEMBER. THE
UNIDENTIFIED SUBORDINATE (M0014) WAS LOCATED WEST OF ROUTE 96 NEAR 14-52N
107-13E (YB 395473) ON 29 JULY. ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ MEANWHILE, RLA COMMUNICATIONS I
N KHAMMOUANE PROVINCE, MILITARY REGION (MR) 3, REPORT THAT THE RLA POSITION AT
KENG PE, WE 1610 (17-16N 105-07E) WAS "HEAVILY" ATTACKED BY AN UNDISCLOSED
NUMBER OF COMMUNISTS ON THE NIGHT OF 22 DECEMBER. REPORTEDLY, NO COMMUNICATIONS
HAVE BEEN MADE WITH THE POSITION SINCE THE ATTACK. TO THE SOUTH IN MR 4, A
PATHET LAO (PL)/NVA BATTALION OF 500 MEN HAS DEPLOYED 25 KM SOUTHEAST OF BAN
SOU KHOUNA (14-38N 105-48E, WB 8618), ACCORDING TO A 21 DECEMBER RLA MESSAGE.
IN SEDONE PROVINCE, 3 PL/NVA COMPANIES REPORTEDLY MOVED TO AN AREA 24 KM S
OUTEAST OF PHIA FAY (14-48N 105-57E, XB 0235) ON 19 DECEMBER.
(21/LSM/T1485-68, 220020Z. 2/GD/LSM/T1127-68, 230740Z) ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ B.
REFLECTIONS OF AIR ACTIVITY THE FOLLOWING IS A CHRONOLOGICAL LISTING OF AIR
STRIKES AND RECONNAISSANCE ACTIVITY NOTED IN GDRS/559TH TRANSPORTATION GROUP
COMMUNICATIONS. DATE/TIME AIRCRAFT TARGET ORDNANCE/REMARKS OF ACTIVITY DEC
EMBER 17/2210G AND F4 (6) A PASS AND BOMBS (2 STICKS OF 2220G NEW FORD AT
FRAGMENTARY AND 4 TALE STICKS OF HE) 18/0400G B-26 (2) KM 7 BOMBS (2 STICKS OF
HE) 0615-0625G OV-1 (1), A FORD AT TA BOMBS (3 STICKS OF HE) F-100 (1), AND F4
(2) /0700-0735G F-100 (2), A PASS BOMBS (4 STICKS OF HE) F-105 (2), AND OV-1
(1) /0835G F-105 (4) A PASS BOMBS (1 STICK OF HE) /0850G F-105 (2) A PASS BOMBS
(2 STICKS OF HE) /0905G F4 94) A NEW FORD BOMBS (4 STICKS OF HE) /0920G F4 (4)

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CABLE BRIDGE BOMBS (4 STICKS OF HE) /09350 F 4 (1), AC-1 COC MAC RECONNAISSANCE
(1), AND OV-1 (1) /10000 OV-1 (1), KM 15 B OMBS (2 STICKS OF HE) AC-1 (2) AND
F-4 (2) ,1).50 F4 (1) ---- RECONNAISSANCE 19/ 19000 B-26K (2) COC MAC
RECONNAISSANCE /19150 F4 (2) FORD AT KA BOMBS (1 STICK OF HE) XXHH 900 HNNN

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NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGINT SUMMARY XXCC TOC 20/0640G F4 (1)
TA LE RECON NAISSANCE /0640G A-3 ---- FIRED AT BY 4TH COMPANY /0655G ---- KM 15
BOMBS (6 STICKS OF HE) /0720G ---- A FORD BOMBS (HE) /0820G "R" (POSSIBLY COC
MAC RECONNAISSANCE R F-4) /1000G F4 (4) KM 14 AT BOMBS (4 STICKS OF HE) TA LE
/10--0 F4 (1) ---- RECONNAISSANCE /1100-1300G OV-1 (1) COC MAC RECONNAISSANCE
/1735G F4 (1) A PASS, FORD, PHOTO- RECONNAISSANCE BRIDGE AT TA LE /1830G F4 (1)
---- FIRE D AT BY 1ST COMPANY (15 ROUNDS EXPENDED) /1900G B-26K (2) COC MAC
RECONNAIS SANCE /1910G F4.S (2) A FORD AT KA BOMBS (1 STICK OF HE) TOC /---- F4
(2) AND ---- A4D.S (4) /---- OV-1 (1) AND ---- "ASSEMBLED" AD6 (2) /----
F4 (2) ---- BOMBS 21/0900G- F4.S (2) KA TOC AREA RECONNAISSANCE 1100G AND OV-1
(1) /0930G F4 (2) KM 19 BOMBS (1 STICK OF HE) /0930G F4 (2) FORD AT TA LE BOMBS
(1 SALVO OF HE) /---- RF 4 (1) BA KHA (PRO- FIRED AT BY TWO GUNS OF BABLY BAN
KHA) 4TH COMPANY (22 ROUNDS EXPENDED) THE SHOOTDOWN OF THREE U.S. AIRCRAFT WAS
REFLECTED IN 559TH TRANSPORTATION GROUP COMMUNICATIONS ON 21 DECEMBER. THE
ACCOUNT WAS OBSERVED IN A MESSAGE POSSIBLY FROM AN ELEMENT AT THE 559TH GROUP
TO TWO ANTI-AIRCRAFT BATTALIONS, THE 18 TH AND 22D, AND TWO ENGINEER BATTALIONS,
THE 33D AND THE 77TH. THE SHOOTDOWNS REPORTEDLY TOOK PLACE AS FOLLOWS AT 0015G
POSSIBLY ON 21 DECEMBER THE 34TH BATTALION OF BINH TRAM 33 (LOCATED ON ROUTE 9
BETWEEN MUONG PHINE 16-32N 106-02E, XD 1029 AND NA BO, 16-43N 106- 10E, XD
2448) SHOT DOWN AN A6. LATER, AT 0500G, AN UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT ATTEMPTED TO
RESCUE THE DOWNED PILOT AND THE 3D COMPANY, 34TH BATTALION WAS SUCCESSFUL IN
SHOOTING IT DOWN. AT 0125G, APPARENTLY THAT SAME DAY, THE 18TH BATTALION OF
BINH TRAM 32 (UNLOCATED, RESPON SIBLE FOR ROUTES 911 AND 912 IN LAOS) SHOT DOWN
ONE B-26K. THESE ACCOUNTS WERE INCLUDED IN A CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE AND
ACCORDINGLY MOR E DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE ACTIVITY WAS NOT GIVEN. ~~(SECRET
SPOKE)~~ (2/011/VCM/11253-68, 222359Z) IV. CAMBODIA MILITARY S ITUATION THE
FOLLOWING SITUATION SUMMARY IS BASED ON CAMBODIAN MESSAGES MADE AVAILABLE
DURING THE PAST 24 HOURS. MILITARY REGION 1 AN AIRSPACE VIOLATION OCCURRED OVER
KOMPONG CHAM MILITARY SUBDIVISION (MSD) ON 21 DECEMBER. IN AN ALLEGED GROUND
VIOLATION, U.S./ARVN FORCES FIRED MORTAR ROUNDS INTO THE AREA OF BOS MON
(11-14N 105-53E, WT 9542), SVAY RIENG MSD, WOUNDING AT LEAST TWO CAMBODIAN
CIVILIANS, ACCORDING TO A 20 DECEMBER MESSAGE. PEAM MONTEI (10-57N 105-30E, WT
5511) ALSO WAS THE SCENE OF A REPORTED U.S./ARVN FIRING VIOLATION, ACCORDING TO
AN 18 DECEMBER MESSAGE. XXHH 900 NNNN

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3/01 VR307-68 NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGINT SUMMARY XXCC IN
SOUTHEASTERN KOMPONG CHAM MSD ON 23 DECEMBER AN ANTI-REBEL SWEEP OPERATION WAS
TO BEGIN. THE REPORTED PURPOSE OF THE OPERATION WAS TO PURSUE REBELS WHO MOVED
SOUTH FOLLOWING AN EARLIER ANTI-REBEL OPERATION TO THE NORTH AT ROMCHEK (11-55N
106-15E, XU 3618). A SECTION OF THE 24TH INFANTRY BATTALION, HEADQUARTERED AT
PREY SAR (11-31N 104-50E, VT 8273), MR 1 WAS DEPLOYED TO SAMRONG (14-11N 103-31
E, UA 4068), MR 4 ON 21 DECEMBER. (2) VCEK/T609-68, 230318Z. CEM/T880-68,
221731Z. CEM/T879-68, 221406Z. CEY/T1390-68, 221344Z. T1391-68, 221345Z)
MILITARY REGION 2 A KHMER KROM, U.S./ARVN SOLDIER NAMED CHAO VONG REPORTEDLY
DEFECTED TO CAMBODIA 10 TAKEO MSD ON 16 DECEMBER. ALSO IN MR 2 SECURITY
MEASURES WERE ORDERED FOR A VISIT BETWEEN VICE ADMIRAL GRIFFIN AND THE GOVERNOR
OF SIHANOUKVILLE, ACC ORDING TO A 16 DECEMBER MESSAGE. COLLATERAL INFORMATION
IDENTIFIED VICE ADMIRAL GRIFFIN AS THE DEPUTY COMMANDER OF THE BRITISH FAR EA
STERN FLEET. (2) VCEY/T1393-68, 221420Z. CEF/T137-68, 221439Z) MILITARY REGION
5 ONE AIR VIOLATION WAS REPORTED IN MR 5 IN MONDU (KIRI PROVINCE ON 19
DECEMBER. (2) VCEK/T608-68, 221346Z) (SECRET SPOKE)

(2 X/Q1 T549-68, 221514Z)

(2/Q1 T785-68, 23032 6Z)

(2X/Q1 T556-68, 221516Z) (SECRET SPOKE) XXHH 900 NNNN

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